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In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please <u>replace</u> Claim 1 with the following:

A method for providing bed availability information to a user wherein the user identifies an available bed for a patient and further availability information wherein the bed includes information on beds at a plurality of healthcare facilities wherein the plurality of healthcare facilities receives the patient based on the bed availability at one of the plurality of healthcare facilities, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a computer network;

providing a database connected to the computer network;

inputting bed availability information for a plurality of healthcare facilities wherein each of the plurality of healthcare facilities have beds and further wherein the bed availability information is input into the database and is accessible by the



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Transmitted herewith is a AMENDMENT for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2002.

No additional fee is required.

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The Asst. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Acct. No. 50-0595. <u>A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.</u>

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